WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

Date:

July 13, 2005

To:

The Advisory Committee Members

From:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

Subject:

Agenda Item XIX: Consideration of resolution recommending that the Governing Board authorize a letter in support of Senate Bill 153, California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2006.

<u>Staff_Recommendation</u>: That the Advisory Committee recommend that the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution, authorizing a letter in support of Senate Bill 153.

<u>Background:</u> According to the most recent version of this proposed bill, if adopted, this bill would authorize for the purpose of financing a program for the acquisition, development, improvement, preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of agricultural, coastal, cultural, forest, historical, park, recreational, and water resources in the state, as specified, the issuance, pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, of bonds in the amount of \$3,595,000,000. Senators Chesbro and Murray are authors, in addition to several co-authors. The proposed bill can be found on the web at http://www.leginfo.ca.gov, then by searching for bill number.

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Dear Elected Official:

By way of this letter, the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) extends its support of Senate Bill 153. WCCA was established in 1995 under the Joint Exercise of Powers Act to preserve and protect the corridor of wildlife habitat and open space between the Whittier-Puente Hills and the Cleveland National Forest. The Governing Board and Advisory Committee work to provide for the proper planning, conservation, environmental protection, and maintenance of this corridor.

This bill will provide much-needed funds to acquire, develop, improve, preserve, rehabilitate, and restore agricultural, coastal, cultural, forest, historical, park, recreational, and water resources throughout California.

Thank you for your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact Judi Tamasi of our staff at (310) 589-3200, ext. 121.

Sincerely,

Steven A. Feld Chairperson